



FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
WASHINGTON, D. C.

To: FBI, Salt Lake City (9-458)

Date: January 27, 1958

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9-33482-5

Re: Unsub;  
W. MARK FELT - VICTIM  
EXTORTION

J. Edgar Hoover  
John Edgar Hoover, Director

Examination requested by: Salt Lake City

Reference: Letter 1/10/58

Examination requested: Document

Remarks:

Specimen Q1 in the file entitled "Unsub;  
W. MARK FELT - VICTIM," will hereafter be referred to as  
specimen Q2 in instant case inasmuch as the afore-mentioned  
case, Bufile 9-33617, is being consolidated into instant case.

Specimen Q1 was submitted by your office by letter  
dated 12/13/57. Specimen Q2 was submitted by your office  
by airtel dated 12/24/57.

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Nichols \_\_\_\_\_  
Boardman \_\_\_\_\_  
Belmont \_\_\_\_\_  
Mohr \_\_\_\_\_  
Tele. Rm. \_\_\_\_\_  
Holloman \_\_\_\_\_

Enclosures (3) (3 Lab report)

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
WASHINGTON, D. C.

To: FBI, Salt Lake City  
Re: Unsub;  
W. MARK FELT - VICTIM  
EXTORTION

JANUARY 27, 1968  
9-33482  
D-339060 DG

Specimens received

Request received, 1/20/68, from Salt Lake City:

Request for comparison of evidence in case entitled  
"Unsub; W. MARK FELT - VICTIM," with evidence in instant case.

Results of examination:

It was concluded specimen Q1, previously received,  
in connection with the case entitled "Unsub; W. MARK FELT -  
VICTIM," was prepared by [redacted] and was previously  
identified as the seller of specimen Q1 in instant case.

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Tele. Room \_\_\_\_\_  
Holloman \_\_\_\_\_  
Gandy \_\_\_\_\_

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: 1/16/58

FROM: Attn: FBI Laboratory  
SAC, SALT LAKE CITY (9-469)

SUBJECT: UNSUB; W. MARK FELT - VICTIM  
EXTORTION

Reference is made to my letter 12/24/57, enclosing a postcard postmarked Toledo, Ohio, 12/21/57, containing a message indicating a possible threat to me by the writer of the postcard. The Laboratory is requested to note a similar card was received by [REDACTED] - VICTIM, EXTORTION at Salt Lake City.

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The Laboratory by letter dated 1/6/58, Lab. No. D-267623 DG, Latent Case No. 12739, stated the two inked fingerprints appearing on the letter received by [REDACTED] have been identified as the right and left thumb impressions of [REDACTED] FBI No. [REDACTED]. It is thought that [REDACTED] may also be the subject of the letter written to me and the Laboratory may desire to make a comparison of [REDACTED] handwriting and possible latent fingerprints with the postcard transmitted by my letter 12/24/57.

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Request for comparison of evidence  
case entitled *United v. MARK FELT - VIKSA*  
with evidence in instant case.

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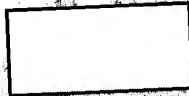
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9-33617

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FBI, NEW YORK

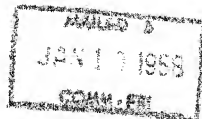
TO DIRECTOR, FBI  
FROM NEW YORK (100-100000)

SUBJECT: JAMES EARL RAY

RE: NEW YORK 100-100000

RE: NEW YORK 100-100000

A negative report will be submitted regarding the  
condition of the latent fingerprints examination and the  
classification of Q1.



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Enclosures (5) (Two photographs of Q1, 3 Lab report)  
1 - Cleveland - Enclosure (Lab report)

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
WASHINGTON, D. C.

To: FBI, Salt Lake City  
Re: Unsub  
W. MARK FELT - VICTIM  
EXTORTION

Date: January 10, 1958  
FBI File: ~~6-33617~~  
Lab. No.: D-268166 EV

Specimens received 12-26-57

Q1 Post card addressed "Mark Felt Regional Director F. B. I.  
Continental Bank Bldg. Salt Lake City, Utah," bearing  
handwritten message beginning "Certain public officials...."  
ending "...legal way. You know who."

Results of examination:

The handwriting on specimen Q1 was searched through the  
appropriate sections of the Anonymous Letter File without  
effecting an identification. Photographs have been taken of  
this file for future reference.

Two enclosures of Q1 are enclosed herewith for the  
Salt Lake City Office. Specimen Q1 will be returned to  
Salt Lake City within the next several days. Photographs  
are retained.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

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Figure 1

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Information requested by

FBI, Salt Lake City (12-24-57)

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Don't forget to call 1-800-234-2222

Date received: 3-27-53

### Results of Experiments

February 14, 1954

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REPORTING PERIOD: 01/01/82 - 12/31/82

44 The above mentioned "Anti-Salt Regional Director  
F.B.I. Continental Land Div., Salt Lake City, Utah,  
bearing in her bag "Certain public officials...  
and... legal help. You know who."

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Date 12/24/57

Transmit the following in \_\_\_\_\_

PLAIN TEXT

(Type in plain text or code)

AIRTEL

AIR MAIL

(Priority or Method of Mailing)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI - ATLANTIC FBI LABORATORY

FROM: SAC, SALT LAKE CITY

RE: DYANE W. MARK FELT - VICTIM  
EXTORTION

Postal card received SU Office today addressed to  
"Mark Felt, Regional Director, F.B.I., Continental Bank Bldg.,  
Salt Lake City, Utah," with following message: "Certain pub-  
lic officials sure they how to 'shove the rod' I will shove the  
rod right back at them when I get back but only in the legal  
way. You know who?"

Card postmarked Toledo, Ohio, 12-21-57. On front of  
card is picture of Library, Toledo.

AUSA [redacted] SU, advises he doubts if contents  
is in violation of Federal law; however, he personally would  
feel better if he knew the identity of the author. Definite  
opinion by him not yet rendered.

Two copies designated for Cleveland as request for  
investigation there will probably be forthcoming.

Laboratory requested to compare handwriting with that  
of writers of previous extortion letters in effort to determine  
identity of author. Efforts should also be made to develop  
latent fingerprints. Forward two photographic copies of card  
showing handwriting to SE Division to assist in investigation.  
Original card enclosed.

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3 - Bureau [redacted] MAIL REGISTERED  
2 - Cleveland [redacted]  
1 - Salt Lake City [redacted]  
JMR:RR

Approved \_\_\_\_\_

Special Agent in Charge

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Laboratory Work Sheet

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Re: V. MARK FELT - VICTIM  
EXTORTION

LATENT

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No lab file...  
4-33617-  
D-250156 BY

File #  
Lab. #

FBI, Salt Lake City (12-24-57)  
Doc - Fingerprint

Examination requested by:

Date of reference communication:

Examination requested:

Result of Examination:  
9/5 227-448

Date received:

Examination by:

Specimens submitted for examination

Q1 Post card addressed "Hon. Earl Regional Director  
F.B.I. Continental Bank Bldg. Salt Lake City, Utah,"  
bearing at top the "Certain public officials..."  
ending "...legal way. You know who."

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DATE 08-05-2009 BY 60324 UCBAW/DK/SBS





**FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION**

Washington 25, D. C.

**REPORT**

of the

**LATENT FINGERPRINT SECTION**

Identification Division

YOUR FILE NO.

FBI FILE NO. 9-33617

LATENT CASE NO. 12048

January 15, 1958

TO: SAC, Salt Lake City

RE: INSURANCE  
T. MARK FELT - VICTIM  
KIDNAPING

REFERENCE: Airtel 12-24-57  
EXAMINATION REQUESTED BY: Salt Lake City  
SPECIMENS: One postcard (Q1)

Three latent fingerprints of value developed on  
enclosed postcard, designated in separate laboratory report  
as Q1.

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1 - Cleveland

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John Edgar Hoover, Director

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Recorded 1-9-58 1:00 PM JAF

Laboratory Work Sheet

Examination of

No lab file

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Lab. #

D-245188 NY

Subj:  
W. MARK FELT - VICTIM  
EXTORTION

Examination requested by:

FBI, Salt Lake City (12-34-57)

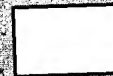
Examination requested:

Doc - Fingerprint

Date received: 12-25-57

Result of examination:

Examination by



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*C. E. Highland*

Specimens submitted for examination

Q1 Post card addressed "Mark Felt Regional Director  
F.B.I. Continental Bank Bldg. Salt Lake City, Utah,"  
bearing address tag "Certain public officials..."  
ending "...legal way. You know who."

Q1 submitted for latent fingerprint examination.

*Q1 post card to photo 1-1-58 JAF  
FBI, Salt Lake City, Utah, dated 12-25-57  
of post card 12-25-57 JAF. Subsequent to  
12-25-57 JAF*

*Lab # 12-25-57 JAF*

SAC, MARK FELT  
Salt Lake City Division  
Under Transfer to Kansas City

On 12/24/57 SAC Felt received an anonymous picture postal card which had been postmarked at Toledo, Ohio 12/21/57. The postal card was addressed in handwriting to Mark Felt, Regional Director FBI, Continental Bank Building, Salt Lake City, Utah, and bore the following handwritten message:

Certain public officials sure know how to 'shove the red.'  
I will 'shove the red' right back at them when I get back  
but only in the legal way.

You know who.

An extensive investigation was carried by the Salt Lake City Division and it was ascertained that [redacted] a former convict in Utah State Prison, on a 10-year burglary sentence and more recently an inmate of the Utah State Mental Hospital, had written a similar postal card to the [redacted] at the prison and presently [redacted] Catholic church at Midvale, Utah. Comparisons of the handwriting on the two postal cards by the Bureau Laboratory resulted in the conclusion that both were written by one same person.

On 6/11/57 [redacted] escaped from the Utah State Hospital and on 10/10/57 he visited the Detroit field office and presented a long written bill of particulars alleging that his civil rights had been violated while he was in prison. He complained that a hospital attendant had spit on him and other attendants had beaten and tormented him and that while he was in prison he had heard from other convicts that [redacted] had sent him \$100,000 in Government bonds which were never turned over to him. Records at the Utah State Hospital reflected that he was committed there in February, 1952, as a mentally unbalanced person and he had been serving a 10-year prison sentence which expired on 12/1/51. [redacted] petition for a writ of habeas corpus filed by him in state court in April, 1957, was dismissed, at which time his mental condition was described as being schizophrenic and paranoid. Because he is a [redacted] (K:prod 1)

- 1 - [redacted]
- 1 - SAC Salt Lake City field office (K:prod 1)
- 1 - Bu File 6-33404
- 1 - Bu File 44-12443

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A citizen of Utah authorities of that state have made no effort to have him returned to the state hospital.

The facts of the extortion case involving SAC Felt as victim were presented to an Assistant U. S. Attorney at Salt Lake City on 1/3/62. He declined prosecution indicating that in his opinion the postal card did not contain a sufficient threat to constitute a violation of the extortion statute.

Inasmuch as SAC Felt is presently under transfer to the Kansas City Division it is recommended that no further action be taken in this matter.

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Report Form  
FD-263 (4-12-57)

# FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Reporting Office: SALT LAKE CITY Office of Origin: SALT LAKE CITY Date: 2/4/58 Investigative Period: 12/1/57, 2/1/58, 2/4/58

TYPE OF CASE

"CHANGED"

Report Made By

CHARACTER OF CASE

EXTORTION

W. MARK FELT - VICTIM

- VICTIM

Synopsis:

Postal card postmarked 11/9/57, Cleveland, Ohio, received by [redacted] Midvale, Utah, [redacted] Utah State Prison, reading message: "I said I'll get you for what you did to me. You know who." SAC W. MARK FELT received postal card postmarked 12/1/57 at Toledo, Ohio, reading: "Certain public officials sure know how to shove the rod. I'll shove the rod right back at them when I get back, but only in the legal way. You know who." FBI lab. card included handwriting on both cards prepared by [redacted] FBI No. [redacted] is a former inmate of Utah State Prison, escaped State Mental Hospital in August 1957. 1958 [redacted] declined prosecution, as it is his opinion sufficient threat not contained in postal cards to bring within extortion statute.

DETAILS:

The title of this case is hereby changed to reflect the name of the subject as [redacted] with aliases [redacted] on the basis of FBI laboratory conclusion that post cards sent victims were prepared by [redacted] FBI No. [redacted]

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Approved:

Special Agent  
in Charge

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File under:

② - Bureau (9-33482)

1 - USA, Salt Lake City

1 - Salt Lake City (9-454)

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
INTERVIEW REPORT

2/4/58

[redacted] St. Therese Catholic Church, Midvale, Utah, advised he was [redacted] Utah State Prison. While there he became acquainted with one [redacted]. He said [redacted] served a ten-year sentence for burglary, over half of which was spent at the Utah State Mental Hospital. He stated [redacted] prison term was completed in 1955, but that he was thereafter held at the Utah State Mental Hospital. [redacted] said [redacted] escaped from the mental hospital in August 1957.

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[redacted] furnished a post card which he believed was sent by [redacted] and which was postmarked November 9, 1957, at Cleveland, Ohio. This post card bears the message, "I said I'll get you for what you did to me. You know who." [redacted] furnished other documents believed to have been sent to him by the subject, none of which contained threatening language. He stated he believed [redacted] is responsible for sending these messages as [redacted] holds [redacted] responsible for certain bonds and money he believes [redacted] officials of the Utah State Prison. [redacted] stated no such bonds or money are in existence.

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[redacted] advised that subsequently on December 29, 1957, he received a long distance phone call from [redacted] at North Bend, Indiana, which was a collect call and which [redacted] refused to accept.

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Interview with

File #

SU 9-464

12/31/57

at

Salt Lake City, Utah

Dictated

2/4/58

Special Agent

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FD-302 (6-2-57)

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
INTERVIEW REPORT

2/4/58

W. MARK FELT, Special Agent in Charge, FBI, 301 Continental Bank Building, Salt Lake City, Utah, advised he had received a postal card addressed Mark Felt, Regional Director, FBI, Continental Bank Building, Salt Lake City, Utah, which post card contains the message, "Certain public officials sure know how to shove the rod. I'll shove the rod right back at them when I get back, but only in the legal way. You know who."

Mr. FELT noted the post card is postmarked Toledo, Ohio, December 21, 1937. Mr. FELT could furnish no information as to the identity of the sender of the post card.

Interview with W. MARK FELT File # SU 2-464  
on 12/24/57 at Salt Lake City, Utah Dictated 2/4/58  
Special Agent [redacted] /cd

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On December 6, 1957, this matter was referred to the postal card received by [redacted] was discussed with Assistant United States Attorney [redacted] Salt Lake City, Utah. [redacted] stated he would defer any opinion as to prosecution pending a complete investigation of this matter.

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On December 24, 1957, Assistant United States Attorney [redacted] Salt Lake City, Utah, was contacted by Assistant Special Agent in Charge WEBER H. CLEGG. [redacted] advised at that time that he doubted the message on the post card addressed to 240 W. MARK STREET is in violation of the Federal law and desired to hold prosecutive opinion in abeyance pending identity of the author.

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By communication dated December 30, 1957, the  
FBI Laboratory advised that the post card addressed to  
[redacted] dated November 1, 1957, was pre-  
pared by [redacted] FBI No. [redacted] whose  
known handwriting consists of signatures on the fingerprint  
cards in his identification record and a twelve-page letter  
dated October 19, 1937, bearing the known handwriting of  
[redacted]

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The FBI Laboratory by communication to Salt Lake City dated January 27, 1958, entitled, "UNSUB; W. MARK REIT - VICTIM, EXTORTION," Lab No. D269360 DG, concluded that the post card addressed to W. MARK REIT and designated as DL was prepared by [REDACTED] FBI No. [REDACTED] who was previously identified as the writer of a post card addressed to [REDACTED]

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (9-33482)

DATE: 2/4/58

FROM : SAC, SALT LAKE CITY (9-464)

SUBJECT:

[REDACTED]  
Was.; W MARK FELT  
VICTIM; [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] VICTIM  
EXTORTION  
00:30

Enclosed herewith is one copy of the report of SA [REDACTED] dated 2/4/58, at Salt Lake City.

It should be noted that Salt Lake City file entitled [REDACTED] titled, "VICTIM, EXTORTION, 00:30," has been consolidated with the file, "UNSUB; W. MARK FELT - VICTIM, EXTORTION," to facilitate investigation of both matters inasmuch as [REDACTED] has been identified as the writer of both cards.

REFERENCES

Bureau letter to Salt Lake City dated 1/10/58.  
Salt Lake City letter to Bureau dated 12/24/57.  
Bureau letter to Salt Lake City dated 1/5/58.  
Bureau letter to Salt Lake City dated 12/30/57.  
Salt Lake City letter to Bureau dated 12/13/57.

- ① - Bureau (9-33482) (Encl.)  
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On January 3, 1958, [redacted] Assistant U. S. Attorney [redacted] regard to the postal card received by [redacted] was discussed with Assistant U. S. Attorney [redacted] [redacted] stated he would decline prosecution as he does not believe the card contained sufficient threat to make it a violation of the extortion statute.

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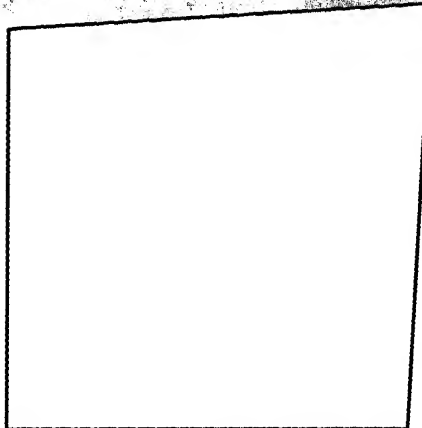
On February 4, 1958, Assistant U. S. Attorney [redacted] Salt Lake City, advised that in his opinion with regard to the postal card sent by the subject to W. MARK FELT there was not a sufficient threat to constitute a violation of the extortion statute and he would, therefore, decline prosecution; however, he felt that the matter should be subject to reopening in the event further information is received indicating the subject has violated the extortion statute.

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The following is a description of [redacted] FBI No. [redacted] as obtained from Utah State Prison records. A copy of the photograph of [redacted] is contained in the 1A section of this file:

Name  
Aliases  
  
Race  
Sex  
Age  
Date of Birth  
Place of Birth  
Height  
Weight  
Hair  
Eyes  
Scars and marks

Finger  
Prints  
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